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ORIGINAL POETRY.

HARP OF MY YOUTH.

Harp of my childhood, still dear to my bosom,
Though long on the willow neglected thou'rt hung;
The art all that remains of the wreck of each blos-

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Of hope, and by sorrow thou'rt almost unstrung.

Yet I cannot resign thee, dear little composer;
Who oft hast allay'd the sad sorrows I've known,

Their wish to submit to the righteous disposer,

Yet himself has bestow'd, and I call thee my own.

May he who bestow'd, in his goodness repair thee;

And put in my head a new song to his praise;

May henceforward no theme that's unworthy en-

shame thee;

But both in his service devote all our days.

Sweet Harp of my childhood, thou'rt youthful no longer,

And they who would wish thy sad accents were

stronger,

Must brush by affection the chords of thy woe.

EVELINA.

SYMPATHY.

To feel the woes that others feel,
To bind the heart to love;

To show our faith with ardent zeal

Are pleasures from above.

Cheerful spirits, inspire my theme

With all thy quickening power,

Each heart to own the pleasing dream

That love's richest flower.

The active soul of sympathy

Derives more real joy

In peaceful acts of charity,

Unmix'd with base alloy.

Than all the wealth of India's shores,

Which the adventurer reaps,

Or all the rich and costly stores

Which sorid avarice breeds.

LOUISA.

SPRING.

Mild Spring! I would greet thee with the glad harp

of pleasure;

Thy gentle advances in stern winter's stead;

And willingly seize in each moment of leisure,

To welcome thy footsteps wherever they tread,

As on in gay numbers thy chariot advances

Quick beats 'neath thy influence each throbbing

young heart,

And when over Nature thy vernal beam dances,

We wish at the moment 'twould never depart.

Leave behind, o'er the wide spread creation,

Every shrub of the forest its mantle resumes,

And furnish each step with some new meditation,

As slowly they quit their inanimate forms,

Welcome! then to our country, mild stranger for

No sound can e'er greet thee less welcome than

And may we, when time from this blest world shall

ever

Our souls, view thy face in the mansions of bliss,

For the Winter of death will ere long overtake us,

And bury our thoughts, and our feelings awhile,

Yet the day spring of heaven shall after awake us,

And gladden our hearts with its genial smile.

Then by thy soft presence a healer of sorrow,

For though the cold fancy must brood on the night,

Yet refreshed, it shall rise with the joyful to-morrow,

And rank 'mid the seraphs, an angel of light.

ORASMYN.

TWAS DEITY THAT DIED.

“When God the mighty Maker died,

For Man, the creature's son,”—Baltz.

It lie that in the manger slept,

When visions burst on Shinar's plain,

Whence voice spoke balm to those that wept,

And silence to the surging main?

If that mock One, who, a child

All proprie, the wine-press trod,

And bore up Calvary's weary hill,

The cross, and died—was not the God,—

Why should I, while these life-storms beat,

And of His finite arm implore?

Or when joy revives round my feet,

For this, the Nazarene adores?

And why in sounding nature's hour,

Invoke him to receive my breath?

Or ask his shaking wing of power?

To guard the shambled in death?

Or when these life-storms beat,

Of Thy broad chambers, and from far

Did call Thy worlds, and break the dreams

That lone had held the morning star;

Did not there the Co-equal Son,

Who made His couch among the dead,

And rising there—the victory won—

Pour'd around upon that bed!

Or did no portent speak from high,

To Jew and Roman, when He fell;

The darkness, earthquake, and the cry,

Messiah's true descent to die?

Unto that seat His rightful claim;

Know it—heeding at the thron;

I sweep—and find it in this. TAPPAN.

SELECTED.

THE STILL, SMALL VOICE.

which wind pass'd by in the pride of its

night,

the dark cliffs of Horeb were shook with

affright;

in the forest, it peal'd in the air;

the prophet mov'd not, for the Lord was not there.

broke the wide silence;

the whole mountains, and shook

every prophet was silent, the Lord was not

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think it our duty to caution you against it.—
Gertrude Stewart, is, I believe, the only
piece I have seen in the "Evening Post,"
said to be of German origin, which bears the
marks of originality, or rather genuineness."

Extract of a letter to the Editors, from a
gentleman in Virginia.—"Since your paper
(the Casket) arrived at this office for Mr.
P. H. I have got two gentlemen out of
three to subscribe to it, and I think it more
than probable I shall get you many more. I
never saw a work so much admired before
in my life by every person that has seen it."

THE ELM TREE AT KENSINGTON.

The majestic and venerable Elm Tree,
which formerly stood on the banks of the
Delaware, near Philadelphia, has long been
celebrated on account of the Treaty which was
held under its wide spreading branches, be-
tween William Penn, the founder of the
State of Pennsylvania, and the Indians, the
proprietors of the soil. It is one of those
subjects that deserve to be perpetuated and
generally known by Americans, among other
remainances of the early settlement of this
country. For the purpose of contributing
our share to this effect, an EXACT REPRESEN-
TATION of the tree as it stood when was
blown down by the heavy gale in September,
1811, one hundred and twenty-eight years
after the event that gave it celebrity occurred,
will be presented in the next No. of the
"Casket, and Flowers of Literature," &c.

We have made some research to procure
an AUTHENTIC copy of the celebrated
Treaty, "the only one," says Voltaire, "be-
tween those people and the Christians that was
made without an ally, although we have accounts
of minor ones. The roll of parchment con-
cerning the treaty, was shown by the Mohegans,
Sauvageans, and other Indians, to Gov. Kith,
at a conference held in 1772. We have in-
deed met with a statement, supposed by
some to have embraced the articles, by
which for a certain quantity of cattle, trucks,
and utensils used to the Indians in the
cause, Gov. Penn was to receive as much land as
a man could ride over in a day, but we have
no details of the property of which being con-
sidered His Ordeal.

"The Proprietary," says Pound, "being
now returned from Maryland to 'Coun-
council,' the place so called by the Indians,
where Phidell, now stand, began to pur-
chase lands of the Natives, who he treated
with great justice and sincere kindness, in
all his dealings and communications with
them; ever giving them full satisfaction for
all their wants, &c., and the best advice for
their real happiness, of which their future
conduct shewed they were very sensible;
and the country afterwards reaped the benefit
of it, as was at this time, (1682) when he first
entered personally into that lasting friendship
with the Indians, which ever afterwards con-
tinued between them, and any of the inhabitants
of the province, too. A few years were to receive as
much land as a man could ride over in a day,
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That William Penn must have done and
said a great deal more on this interesting oc-
casions than has now been related, there
can be no doubt. It is also to be regretted, that
the speeches of the Indians on this me-
morable day have not come down to us. It
is only known, that they solemnly pledged
themselves, according to their country man-
ner, to live in peace with William Penn and his
friends, as long as the Sun and Moon should
endure.—Thus ended this famous Treaty, of
which no record has been left in the way of proof
of any other ever transmitted to posterity.
The Elm Tree from that day became
a landmark. One town near Robertsburg, in
a meadow on the Island of the great Treaty,
relics of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania,
Sept. 19, 1823, introduce the following
among other notices of it. "On a well-located
elevated eminence, the late Benjamin West, executed
in 1787, an historical picture of the Treaty
of 1682, when he inclosed to the Pro-
prietors of Pennsylvania. The original painting
is in the possession of John Penn, Esq. One of the five original individuals, who
were present with the proprietor at that
Treaty, was the Grandfather of West, and
the painter has given a likeness of his ancestor
in the imposing group of Patriarchs. I
had this circumstance to be of great auth-
ority, because West had an opportunity of
being intimately acquainted with all the partic-
ulars of the treaty, and it will not be ques-
tioned that he intended to perpetuate a full
and narrative upon canvas.

After the tre was uprooted by the storm
in 1811, the trunk measured twenty-four
feet in circumference, and its age was esti-
mated to be two hundred and eighty-three
years, having been one hundred and fifty
years old at the time of the Treaty. A
few years ago, it was sent to New York
by a man named Crosby, in Danbury, Ct.,
who was qualifying himself for a circus rider,
mainly attempting to throw a somerset, & I
brake his neck. He lived about twelve hours.
This is the second incident of the kind
at that place within six months.

An attempt will, as we hear, soon be made
to call a convention, for the purpose of re-
vising the Constitution of the State of New
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has adjourned to the next term, leaving
decided and decided in all 77 cases, leaving
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